

PEEK-A-BOO! I LOVE YOU

Good Books

Baby! Talk!	Gentieu	BB & E GEN
Where is Baby's Mommy?	Katz	BB KAT
Guess How Much I Love You?	McBratney	E MCB
Peekaboo Baby	Miller	BB MIL
I Like it When	Murphy	E MUR
When Mama Comes Home Tonight	Spinelli	BB SPI & E SPI

Songs & Rhymes

PEEK-A-BOO

Peek-a-boo I see you.
Peek-a-boo, can you see me too?
Peek-a-boo, how do you do?
Peek-a-boo, I love you.

CRISS CROSS APPLESAUCE

Criss, cross, applesauce
(draw an X on baby's back)
Big squeeze *(hug baby)*
Cool breeze *(blow on back of baby's neck)*
Now you've got the shivers!
(tickle baby's tummy)

THE BEE HIVE

Here is the bee hive, *(hold up closed fist)*
Where are the bees?
Hidden away where nobody sees.
Watch and you'll see them,
Come out of the hive.
One, two, three, four, five.
(hold up one finger at a time)
BUZZ-Z-Z-Z-Z! *(flutter fingers)*

KISSY GAME

Kissy, kissy fingers, Kissy, kissy toes.
Kissy, kissy baby on your kissy nose.

Pretty, pretty fingers, Pretty, pretty toes.
Pretty, pretty baby, Pretty, pretty nose.

ARE YOU HIDING?

(tune: Frere Jaques)

Are you hiding, are you hiding?
Where are you? Where are you?
Are you here or there?
I've looked everywhere.
Peek-a-boo! Peek-a-boo!

ACKA BACKA

Acka backa soda cracker,
Acka backa boo. *(rock or bounce baby)*
Acka backa soda cracker,
I love you. *(give baby a hug)*
Acka backa soda cracker,
Acka backa boo.
Acka backa soda cracker,
Up goes you! *(lift baby into the air!)*

Fun Activities to Do With Your Baby at Home

3+ months

Play peek-a-boo with your baby using a blanket or a diaper. Or put a light towel over your baby's face and then whisk it off. A newborn baby thinks that when an object disappears it no longer exists. However, playing peek-a-boo can help your baby learn that even if you're momentarily hidden, you're still there!

Skills developed – social development, object permanence

6+ months

Use large swim tubes for lots of fun on dry land! Sitters and crawlers enjoy using the tubes for sitting support. Also, play peek-a-boo in the rings by sitting your baby down on one and stack others up to her chest. Lift each one off while calling "Peek-a-boo!" Babies who are more mobile will enjoy creeping and crawling in and out of several tubes placed on the floor.

Skills developed – balance, gross motor skills, object permanence

*Masi, Wendy S., PhD. & Leiderman, Roni Cohen, PhD. Baby Play: 100 Fun-Filled Activities to Maximize Your Baby's Potential. San Francisco, CA: Weldon Owen Publishing. 2001.

9+ months

Draw a picture of a baby on a large piece of paper. Glue pieces of material over individual parts of the body, such as hands, head, toes, knees and tummy. Ask your baby where the different parts are located, such as the baby's head and then say, "Hello, head!" Continue this game, naming the other parts.

Skills developed: body awareness, language skills

*Silbert, Jackie. Games to Play with Babies, 3rd. ed. Beltsville, MD: Gryphon House, Inc. 2001.

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